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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :
Lydie Poitout, et al. : Group: 1625
Serial No.: 10/550,122 :
Filed: September 19, 2005 : Examiner: Rahmani, Niloofar
For: IMIDAZOPYRIDINE... AGONISTS :

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July 22, 2008

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office action of February 22, 2008, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the declaration of Dr. Thuriereau filed herewith.

The claims in the application are claims 1 to 17 and 23 to 27, all other claims being cancelled. Claims 1 to 17 stand allowed.

Claims 23 to 27 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph since the Examiner deems the specification does not enable the instant compounds to alter the gene expression and therefore to treat any and all known or unknown diseases.